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PSC ISSUES DECISION IN KMB UTILITY CORPORATION RATE CASES

Jefferson City (May 9, 2003)---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved agreements which authorize KMB Utility Corporation to increase annual water revenues by approximately \$4,310 and sewer revenues by approximately \$8,510 for service rendered on and after May 21, 2003.

Based upon a thorough review of the Company's books and records, it was determined that a rate increase for water and sewer service was necessary to cover the cost of operating and maintaining the systems. Impacts on a typical residential customer monthly water and sewer bill appear below:

Water:

viator.			
Service Territory	<u>Usage</u>	<u>Current Bill</u>	Proposed Bill
City of Scotsdale	Flat Charge	\$31.49	\$31.50
High Ridge Manor	6,000 gallons	\$27.71	\$27.02
Warren Woods Subdivision	6,000 gallons	\$31.54	\$38.13
Hillshine Acres	6,000 gallons	\$22.67	\$21.85
Crestview Acres	6,000 gallons	\$22.14	\$23.35
Lakewood Hills	6,000 gallons	\$22.67	\$24.64
Sewer:			
Cape Rock Village			
Single Family		\$23.10	\$26.52
Multi Family		\$18.48	\$21.21

On August 15, 2002, KMB Utility Corporation filed water and sewer rate cases with the Missouri Public Service Commission. The utility sought to increase annual water revenues by approximately \$52,620 and annual sewer revenues by approximately \$9,450.

The PSC Staff conducted a thorough review of the books and records of the Company. Based upon the results of that audit, the PSC Staff and KMB Utility Corporation were able to reach an agreement which was submitted for Commission consideration. That agreement called for annual water revenues to increase by approximately \$4,310 and sewer revenues by approximately \$8,510 a year.

The Commission stated in its order: "The Commission finds the agreement between Staff (PSC Staff) and KMB, including the proposed tariff sheets, to be reasonable, and will approve the agreement."

KMB Utility Corporation serves approximately 317 water customers in Jefferson and Franklin Counties and approximately 220 sewer customers in Cape Girardeau County.